DAVID LYNCH MEMORIAL REPORTING AWARD for 2003

Deadline for entries: Friday, November 14, 2003 at 6 PM.

The David Lynch Memorial Reporting Award is given annually to an individual Washington-based daily newspaper reporter. It recognizes excellence in coverage of Congress from a regional perspective. (NOTE: Both the Congressional link and the regional element are required.)

This year's award is \$1000. The winner will be recognized at the Washington Press Club Foundation's annual Congressional Dinner in February 2004.

"Regional reporting" is defined as "work that provides insight into how actions on Capitol Hill impact the local community" and "coverage that provides a better understanding of the inner workings of Congress, with emphasis on the local delegation." Judges will look for "thorough and incisive regional coverage of Congress" and "will take into consideration the clear, engaging nature of the writing, and the reporter's ability to explain difficult and complex subjects to a hometown audience."

An entry will consist of no more than four stories. Stories published between November 16, 2002 and November 14, 2003 are eligible. Entries must be mounted on 8.5 x 11 inch sheets of paper. Submissions must include the original entry and five copies. A letter from the reporter explaining the impact of the reporting, or explaining special circumstances involved in the submission, is allowed but not required.

NOTE: All mail to the Capitol complex is screened, causing delays in mail delivery to the Senate Press Gallery. Entries should be

- --- Hand delivered to the Senate Press Gallery, S-316, The Capitol.
- ---- Or delivered or mailed to David Lynch Memorial Reporting Award, c/o Julie Schoo, National Press Club, 13th Floor, 529 14th Street NW, Washington DC 20045.

David Lynch died of cancer in 1999. He worked for the Griffin Larrabee Bureau and for the Buffalo News before starting his own one-person news service. At various times, he reported from Washington for newspapers in Alaska, New England, New York, South Carolina, Iowa and Nebraska.

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